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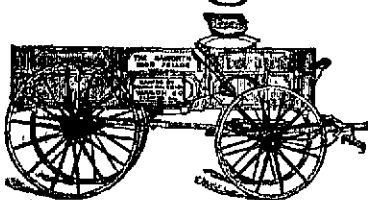
I suffered for a year with inflammation in my eyes, and was unable to see. After trying many other remedies, to no purpose, I was finally induced to use Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and, by taking

three bottles of this medicine, have been entirely cured. My sight has been restored, and there is no sign of inflammation, sore, or ulcer in my eyes.—Kendall T. Rowen, Sugar Tree Ridge, Ohio.

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## HE QUIT THE BUSINESS.

Why a Dakota Newspaper Man Forsook the Journalistic Profession.

"Gimme a case to fill fer my dinner," said a dilapidated looking man, as he came into the Bell office one day this week.

"Hed luck this summer?"

"You bet. Just walked into town. Say, reckon I can get a chance to sub on something for a few days?"

"Oh, yes, good chance."

"I ain't had no luck since I had a paper of my own when I first struck the Territory."

"What made you quit the business?"

"Monkey-work. You see there was a prominent citizen of the place and a heavy advertiser named Beasley. He went East to get a complete stock of bar fixtures for his place of business. One day while he was gone another prominent citizen, who took six copies of the paper and sent them to friends, whose name was McCann, was seen out riding with Beasley's wife. The thought it would be thunderin' smart to write it up an' boom the street sales of the paper, though there'd never been a copy sold on the streets since it was started. So I wrote a column an' a couple o' stickful awful sensational an' smart, an' then went an' set it. Just fore I slid it into the forms I kinder got lookin', at it an' wonderin'. I thought I'd got somebody else's opinion. So I showed the proof to Jim Tanglewood. Jim read it and laughed an' snorted till I thought he would bust, and then says he, 'chuck it in.' Then I let Hen Clark look at it, an' he couldn't move a half inch. It tickled him. Then he looked up an' says here 'Old hoss, that's blame good—sock it in.' I showed it to a lot more leadin' citizens and they all 'lowed it was a good joke on old Beasley and McCann, an' that Mrs. Beasley would be tickled 'most to death over it. The only thing they varied in was some said 'chuck it in,' and some, 'sock it in.' I'll love, though, old man Perkins (he was the principal of the school) did say 'shove her in.'

"So I went back an' hung the chase 'round it and drove in the quoin with the stove poker an' jabbed some Dutchmen into the ads. an' swore a little, an' listed up the forms an' sponged off the bottom of 'em with my shirt-tail, an' put 'em on the press. Then I planned 'em down with a piece of floorin', cussed the boy 'cause the roller wouldn't distribute, an' jerked the old lever, cussed some more when I saw the paper an' laid it on the dry goods box I used for a stone.

"Just then McCann come in an' 'lowed he'd read that funny business 'bout him. While he was gettin' through it (he read mighty slow, but a blame 'sight better'n I wished he could) Jim Tanglewood dropped in an' read it like he'd never said it before an' shook his head and said it might be funny but he couldn't see it that way, an' he 'lowed McCann wouldn't when he got through it. Then Hen Clark ran through it an' looked gloomy, an' wanted to know if it was too late to take out his ad. that week. He said to stop his paper anyhow he couldn't stand no such scandal. He reckoned McCann would rip when he got through it. Old man Perkins an' Elder Blodgett put their noses up in the air an' p'inted at McCann an' made big motions with their arms 'sif they were tellin' me to look out when he got through.

"Well, when I got 'bout forty papers printed—I reckon, mobby the edition was half or two-thirds off—McCann got through, an' looked sort o' mixed up like. 'Quite a joke on you, Colonel McCann,' says I, with a smile that made me feel sick at the stomach. 'Joke, blank!' roared McCann, 'tryin' to make trouble 'tween me an' Beasley, hey?' Then he made a break for me an' kicked me one an' 'listed me up on the forms. 'Lemme shut up the machine an' squash the infernal steer in it!' he howled. But he didn't know how to turn down the frisket, an' while he was struggling with it I wiggled over an' fell through the window and run for the fair grounds.

"An' after I was gone McCann jes' ripped things, an' Jim, an' Hen, an' old man Perkins turned in an' helped him, an' the derned fool boy stood 'round an' told 'em how they could do 'the most hurt. An' Mrs. Beasley showed up fore they got through, with a kettle o' hot water which the boy directed her to throw on the rollers, secin' as I was gone, an' she couldn't douse me with it, an' then she ripped the inside all out o' the dictionary an' took the files to put under the carpet, an' got so tired McCann had to go home with her an' help support her.

"An' they say that when Beasley got home the next day he made 'em think they hadn't done scarcely any thing. When he found there wa'n't nothin' left to rip he just put a can o' blatin' powder under the buildin', lit the fuse with his cigar an' run; an' when she went off it blowed the whole buildin' galley west.

"I never went back. I've been a tourist ever since, an' I'm goin' to stick to it. Got any tobacco?"—Dakota Bell.

—Omaha Wife—"What has become of your friend, Fireater?"

Omaha Husband—"He is still doing editorial work, but is no longer able to hold a pen, and does all his writing by dictation."

"Does he dictate to his daughter or his wife?"

"To his daughter, of course."

—Omaha World.

—Queen Olga, of Greece, is fond of swimming, and a pond lined with white marble is to be constructed in the grounds of the royal palace at Athens so that the Queen can disport herself with her attendants like Diana and her maids.

**Brace Up.**

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with Head-ache, you are fidgety, nervous, and generally out of sorts, and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whisky, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before.

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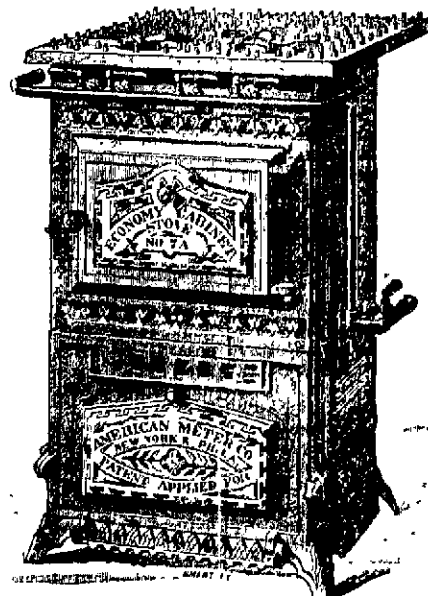
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For SPRING SUITS call and see the Styles and Prices.

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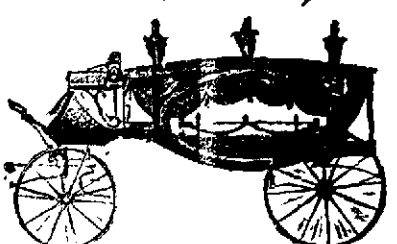
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